(a) whether Government have received mass representations from subscribers of village Tandiala Jalandhar Telephone Exchange, regarding commissioning of U.H.F. system there and for retention of local call facility to Jalandhar city;

(b) if so, what action has been taken by Government in this regard;

(c) when the U.H.F. system was installed and the total amount spent on it;

(d) why the U.H.F. system has not been commissioned so far and by when it will be commissioned; and

(e) the places where U.H.F. system is yet to be commissioned in Punjab and the amount spent on each ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Jandiala is not connected to Jalandhar for local calls as it falls in the SDCC area of Phillaur. A U.H.F. system between Jalandhar and Jandiala is planned and is under execution. The amount spent so far is Rs. 1,55,617.

(d) Due to non-availability of U.H.F. equipment for this scheme, it could not be commissioned. However, efforts are being made to commission this scheme during 1994-95 by arranging diversion of equipment.

(e) 13 U.H.F. schemes mentioned below are under execution and the total amount spent so far on these schemes is approx. Rs. 68,67,678. The amount spent on each scheme so far are given below:

	Names of the Schemes	Amount spent so far
		Rs.
1	Jalandhar—Jhandu a .	1,71,750
2.	Nakodar—Mehatpur	Nil
3.	Jalandhar—Jandiala . .	1,55,617
4.	Mansa—Bareta	Nil
5.	Kot Kapura—Jaitu .	56,125
6.	Bhatinda—Raman .	34,31,125
7.	Mour—Raman .	Nil
8.	Sardulgarh—Raman .	1,506
9.	Mukerian—Talwara . .	2,41,438
10	Batala—Quadian .	21,52,881
11	Patran— Samana .	6,54,481
12	Nabha—Amloh	530
13	Sunam- Lehragaga .	2,225

STD Facility to Sonari of Sibsagar, Assam

3722. SHRI BHADRESWAR GOHAIN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 3654 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 24th August, 1993 and state :

(a) whether STD facility to Sonari of Sibsagar, Assam would be provided during the current month; and

(b) if not, by when it is likely to start ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) Yes, Sir. Sonari has been provided with STD facility on 31-3-94.

(b) Question does not arise.

Implementation of the recommendations of Fourth Central Pay Commission

3723. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Fourth Central Pay Commission in its report had recommended the merger of cadres of Inspectors of Post Offices, Assistant Superintendents of Post Offices, IIMS/ ASRMs and also the revision of pay scale of the unified cadre;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this recommendation was not implemented; if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Central Administrative Tribunal, Lucknow, in its judgement dated the 19th April, 1993, had directed the department to bring pay scale of Inspectors of Post Offices at par with Junior Accounts Officers viz., 20 per cent in pay scale of Rs. 1640—2900 and 80 per cent in the pay scale of Rs. 2000—3200;

(d) if so, whether this judgement has been implemented; if not, the reasons therefor: and

(e) by when these decisions are likely to be implemented ?